

FELL OFF A BRIDGE

Sad Death of William McCoy Near Kankakee.

FROM ESCAPES. HOME WAS IN DECATUR

And the Body was Brought Back to This City—Particulars of the Accident—A Fatal Result.

William McCoy of this city was killed last night on a railroad bridge near Kankakee, Ill. The body was brought back to this city and was buried in the city cemetery.

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STATE S. S. CONVENTION BIG MEETING OF WORKERS

Forty-First Annual Sessions of the Illinois Association—Arrival of the Chicago Delegation.

Eight Hundred Delegates Expected—Opening Exercises—Addreses of Welcome and Response—Newly Elected State Officers.

The forty-first annual sessions of the Illinois Association of State Socialists will be held in this city from May 16 to 18. The Chicago delegation is expected to arrive on Monday.

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Prof. Bilhara is decidedly spirited, the congregation singing with abandon and enthusiasm, the voices in the gallery floating down strong over the audience below.

A piano was placed in the church this afternoon to take the place of the small organ which was used this morning. The platform has been extended over the altar railing and covered with canvas. The decorations are of flags, snowballs and palms.

The arrival of the Chicago train was delayed several hours.

Convention Programme.

THIRD SESSION—TUESDAY EVENING.

7:30—Song Service, led by P. P. Bilhara.

8:00—Our State Association. W. C. Pearce.

8:30—Report of Executive Committee. B. F. Jacobs, chairman.

8:40—Echoes from the Atlanta Convention.

FOURTH SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

6:00—Early Prayer Meeting. Led by A. T. Arnold.

6:30—Conference on Township Work. W. C. Pearce, presiding.

8:00—Work of the Township President. W. C. Pearce.

8:20—Banner Townships. A. M. Kunney, Douglas Co.

8:40—Township Normal Institutes. C. E. Schenck.

9:00—Open Conference.

(Each of above topics to be followed by questions and suggestions.)

9:30—A study of John's Gospel. Prof. H. M. Hamill.

10:00—Reports of Committees.

10:15—Report of Treasurer. R. W. Hare.

10:30—The Work of the Coming Year.

FIFTH SESSION—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:00—Annual Meeting of State Central Primary Committee.

2:00—Praise Service. Led by P. P. Bilhara.

3:30—An Up-to-Date Superintendent. H. H. Raaswall, Du Page county.

2:50—A Front Line Sunday School. Rev. W. R. Allison, Platt county.

3:10—Written Work in the Sunday School. C. M. Parker, Christian co.

3:30—A Successful Teacher. Mary Foster Bryner.

4:00—The Training of Teachers. Prof. H. M. Hamill.

4:30—Questions Answered.

SIXTH SESSION—WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7:30—Praise Service. Led by P. P. Bilhara.

8:00—Our Text Book. Rev. P. G. Tyrrell, St. Louis.

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the Dewey home fund. Those who know the admiral best say that it would be well to push this project to a conclusion before he reaches the United States, lest he should kill it by asking that no money be contributed for such a purpose.

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY.

LINCOLN, ILL., May 16.—The board of trustees of Lincoln University elected Rev. W. G. Archer to be the office of financial agent of the institution. Mr. Archer is at present pastor of the First Cumberland Presbyterian church at Petersburg, Ill., and president of the Illinois Cumberland Presbyterian Chautauqua association. He will devote most of his efforts to increasing the endowment fund of the university from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

SITUATION AT BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, May 16.—Two elevators are working today. The contractors expect to have another going later. Seventy-five men were brought from outside points to be put to work. Gangs are at work on the several docks.

COLORED WOMEN FOUGHT.

Mrs. Maggie Earnest was Stabbed by Kate Harvel Last Night.

Mrs. Maggie Earnest and Kate Harvel, two colored women, had a fight last night which resulted in Mrs. Earnest being quite badly cut and the other woman being locked up in jail. The fight occurred in the room of W. Thomas, a colored man, living on East Main street. It seems that Thomas had shown some attention to both of the women. Last night they met in Thomas' room and there was trouble. The Harvel woman claimed that Mrs. Earnest hit her over the head with a lamp and that she used a small knife in self defense. Mrs. Earnest was taken to her room in the building at the corner of Wood street and Broadway and Dr. Dixon was called to attend her. She had two cuts on her left arm and three cuts on her back, one of which is quite a bad wound. Dr. Dixon says that he thinks the woman will recover unless some new complication sets in. Kate Harvel is in jail and her case will probably be investigated by the grand jury.

HOME AGAIN.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, May 16.—Returning companies of the 49th Iowa were received this morning with great enthusiasm. The town is ablaze with decorations and crowded with people. Reception committees from towns to which other companies are destined are here to meet and escort them.

CUBAN GOSSIP.

No Alarm at Washington Over Gomez's Action.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—"Forcible disarmament," said a cabinet officer, "is contemplated in Cuba only as a last resort. The administration is pledged to deliver the island to the people there, and we are only trusts for them. The so-called Cuban army has already disbanded and at present is not a menace as an organization. If it should become so forcible disarmament might become necessary, but I know the president would hesitate a long time before employing force against the people we started out to free."

"The trouble with the Cubans is not that they want to keep their arms, but that they have no arms enough to give up. General Brooke insists on the delivery of arms as a condition to making payments, and even Cuban patriots are sharp enough to see that they could afford to give up some rusty rifles and machetes on payment of \$100 for each job lot, for half that sum would buy a new outfit for each alleged soldier. They could give up their arms, buy new ones and still have enough to keep each soldier in idleness for two or three months on their banana diet. The situation is interesting but we do not anticipate trouble at present. The Cuban soldiers will come to the paymaster's office and get their money as fast as they

can collect arms to make good their claims.

"On the other hand, the president does not believe that anything but a grave emergency would justify the shooting of a single Cuban, however worthless he may appear to be. Our reports from General Brooke do not indicate that he considers the action of Gomez as serious, but merely the result of the innumerable jealousies among the Cubans which Americans find it difficult if not impossible to understand."

ARRESTED AT PRETORIA.

CAPE TOWN, May 16.—The Argus dispatch from Pretoria, Transvaal, says that the secretary of state confirms the report of a number of unusual arrests there. It is rumored that they are British officers.

NATIONAL T. P. A.

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 16.—The 10th annual convention of the National Travelers' Protective association will start this morning with 300 delegates present. The morning session was devoted to exercises of welcome. The business sessions begin tomorrow.

BASE BALL.

MAY 16.
St. Louis 4, Louisville 1.
Baltimore 5, New York 3.
Cincinnati 3, Cleveland 2.
Washington 5, Boston 2.
Chicago 4, Pittsburgh 3.
Brooklyn 8, Philadelphia 5.

THE PRESIDENT.

HOT SPRINGS, VA., May 16.—The President and Mrs. McKinley drove to Warm Springs this morning, a distance of five miles.

THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Illinois: Threatening with showers and thunder storms tonight and possibly in the north Wednesday; cooler tonight, brisk to high southerly wind.

SECOND-HAND WHEELS.

The Current Eastern Idea May Not Be So Popular—What a Dealer Says.

"There will be more second-hand wheels sold this spring and more old wheels remodeled and fixed up in presentable shape than was ever before known to the business," said the bicycle shop man as he held a sprocket wheel in his hand and looked at it critically. "People are fast getting over the idea that they must have a new wheel every year," he went on, "and therefore the business is coming to us fellows this year instead of to the manufacturers. In past years, you know, hundreds, yes, thousands, of riders sold their old wheels after a year's use and bought new ones every spring, but now they are beginning to realize that a wheel can be fixed up the same as a buggy or a street car, remodeled and put into shape to look like a new wheel at a trifling cost, and since a first-class wheel will stand much more than one season's wear and tear they are coming to the repairers with their wheels instead of rushing downtown to the manufacturers to get robbed."

"I have more than a dozen wheels here now, second-hand, but in every way as good as they ever were, bright and shining in their new coats of enamel and ready to shine with the best of 'em on the boulevards. I don't expect to have one left in a month. I will sell 'em at a small advance over the cost of fixing them up—enough margin for me and still several laps lower than the prices of first-class wheels downtown. The makers of the old standard wheels are making a desperate effort to keep prices up to the \$50 notch, but the public is tearing for the second-handers just the same."—Chicago Chronicle.

The Chinese Family.

One of the most striking elements in Chinese life is its solidarity. As is well known the family has a much larger function than with us. The marriage of a son does not break in upon the family life, but enlarges it; the daughter-in-law becoming incorporated in the family of her husband. Several generations may be welded together in one home, the authority of the elders becoming the more absolute with time. Growing old is certainly robbed in China of some of the terrors it has among us. The older a man grows the more weight is accorded to his wisdom. A girl may be worse than useless; a young wife is the hapless servant of her mother-in-law, but a mother is sure of honor, which increases with the years, and a grandmother rules the generations with a rod of iron.—Detroit Free Press.

Miss Lettie Simmons of Friendship, Me., raised last season a turnip which she coaxed up to the enormous weight of 12½ pounds.

The greatest depth to which a ship has been anchored is 2000 fathoms—considerably more than two miles.

Explosive bullets were first used in India for hunting tigers and elephants.

DAY'S NEWS IN GENERAL

Fatal Strike Trouble Near Huntington, Arkansas.

SHOOTING AFFRAY

John Wright Killed and Jas. Campbell Wounded.

NEW POLITICAL MOVEMENT

Leaders Meet Today at Kansas City, Mo.—No Fusion with the Democrats in 1900—Donnelly on Deck as Usual with a Ringing Speech.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 16.—Early this morning 40 strikers attacked 25 colored coal miners behind the stockade near Huntington. Two men on guard at the stockade returned the fire, killing one of the attacking party. John Wright, one of the guards, was killed. Another, James Campbell, was seriously wounded.

POLITICAL.

KANSAS CITY, May 16.—The annual meeting of the National Reform Press association and national reorganization committee of the People's Party with about 100 delegates present, convened today. It will decide on the policy for 1900.

President Burkett in his annual address counseled against fusion with the Democratic party in the next presidential campaign. Ignatius Donnelly delivered a brief address and committees were appointed. Recuss.

THE MAZET COMMITTEE.

NEW YORK, May 16.—The Mazet investigating committee resumed its sessions after a prolonged recess. Mayor Van Wyck, who with the heads of the various city departments summoned to appear, was present.

Mayor Van Wyck on the stand denied that he counseled with Croker regarding the conduct of the city government, but admitted that he had "a running conversation" with John Carroll, who politically is close to Croker. On the subject of the selection of heads of departments he denied that anybody controlled him or had a right to call him to account.

To a question implying that he was financially interested in the pool rooms, alleged to be running contrary to law, Mayor Van Wyck entered an indignant disclaimer and challenged Attorney Moss to produce the evidence. Moss merely replied that if he would wait for a day or two he would learn something that he evidently did not know anything about now.

ALUMNI COMMITTEES

Appointed to Assist in Arrangements of the Reception on June 9.

The work of collecting funds for the Alumni reception to be given on the evening of June 9 is progressing satisfactorily and the indications are that there will be a large attendance of the members of the society. The following committees have been appointed in addition to those already at work: Committee on Refreshments—Miss Bertha T. Randall, '57, chairman; Mary Tuttle McFarland, '91; Arthur Wait, '90; Desdemona Millikin Evans, '89; Hugh W. Housum, '95. Committee on Music—Arthur S. Dumont, '91, chairman; Leo Heilbrun, '86; Bessie Young, '95; Mary Adele Blackstone, '97; Robert Vail, '95. Committee on Hall and Decoration—Luther A. Roby, '91, chairman; Lola Montgomery, '90; Louis E. Conradt, '91; Anna Cloyd, '94; Robert Maffit, '97.

—Mrs. William Tamsan and daughter, Irene, of Macon were in the city today on their way to Denver, Col., where they will visit Mrs. L. M. Fail, for a month.

A load of two tons can be readily carried by a full-grown elephant.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
ABSOLUTELY PURE
Makes the food more delicious and wholesome
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. NEW YORK

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Cordial Address of Welcome by
Dr. Penhallegon, of Decatur.

The Response by President Farson.

After President Farson of Chicago had taken the State Sunday School convention gavel in hand this afternoon the delegates were made to feel again that they were indeed welcome in our city.

DECATUR'S WELCOME.

Rev. W. H. Penhallegon of Decatur gave the cordial address of welcome. He said in part:

"Decatur surrenders. It makes silent, complete and unconditional surrender. Chicago came in a week ahead and when Egypt came up we felt our strongholds weakening. We have finally capitulated. We are yours. Our churches, our homes, our hearts—enter in and be at rest. You will find us an earnest, gentle, mild people, yet with a good opinion of ourselves and our city. We have never given the United States a president, but we have given an honest and honorable man to be president of the State Sunday school convention in the sainted J. R. Groin, now gone on to God. (Applause.) And we are willing to go further and give another to this convention." (Great applause.)

Mr. Penhallegon held the union depot up to ridicule and assured the delegates that the depot belonged to them too and urged the president to take it back to Chicago with him. He further overhauled the delegates with a brief but excellent talk on the beauty of the Bible.

"Sunday school workers of the city stand for this old book. The motto of the Christian people of this city is 'Unity in spirit.' We are not enemies, we are allies, fighting under the same banner and working for the same Christ and same heaven. Many are Main streets and if you take the wrong road you will be sorry, but we have started on the road to municipal reform, and you will be cared for."

The speaker closed with assuring the delegates of the welcome extended to them by all the church workers in the city.

THE RESPONSE.

The Hon. John Farson of Chicago, president of the convention, responded, saying:

"I would that for once my tongue were tipped with eloquence that I might respond fittingly to the eloquent and excellent address just given by the popular pastor of this church. I desire to express my cordial appreciation of the welcome and treatment we have received. We have been particularly happy in our selection of a place to hold the convention. Decatur stands in the state as a city at the head of the line. Her clean, well shaded streets, her public school system, her educational organizations and her grand body of church and Sunday school workers, give her prominence among the towns of the state."

Continuing the speaker made a strong plea for advancement in the Sunday school work, especially emphasizing the need of good music as a feature of the forward movement.

NOTES.

The Hon. James A. Rose was not present and will not arrive until Thursday.

Dr. Penhallegon will leave the city tomorrow and made a farewell talk.

The largest line of velvet carpets is at Scovill's.—4-29-dtf

GETTING AWAY

Spanish Troops to Leave the Philippines.

MADRID, May 16.—General Rois, commander of the Spanish troops still in the Philippines, has cabled the government that he has arranged with General Otis for the immediate Spanish evacuation of Zamboanga and Jolo. The steamer Leon XIII. has started with the American troops who will occupy Jolo, sending Spanish troops with honors to the Spanish flag. The Leon XIII. will then proceed to Zamboanga and with the steamers Porto Rico and Uranus will take off General Rois and the Spanish troops there. The Americans will not occupy Zamboanga.

Ride a Monarch and keep in front. Illinois Cattle Co.

Death at Moweaqua.

Zeal Snell, aged 70 years, died Tuesday at his home in Moweaqua. He was the father of Wesley Snell, who conducts a livery stable in this city. The funeral was held today from the Methodist church at Moweaqua.

Now is the time to get supplies for the home at Morgan's Bazar closing out sale. Everything almost at your own price.—16-26t

Granulated cork is the best non-conductor known.—4-29-dtf

HE WELCOMED LAFAYETTE.

An Aged New Hampshire Clergyman Who Spoke for His Fellow School-Children in 1824.

There lives in the city of Manchester, N. H., a man who made one of the many addresses of welcome to Marquis de Lafayette during his last and triumphant tour of the United States in 1824. He is Rev. Dr. L. L. Demarest, and the address was made in New York city. Mr. Demarest told the story to a reporter of the Sun.

"I was only seven years old at the time," he said. "The incident occurred in September, the great French statesman and soldier making his trip to this country in August and September of 1824. The way my connection with it came about was this: I was an attendant at one of the schools established by the Free School society, of New York, and it was desired to show to Lafayette and his friends the inside workings of these schools. September 11 was set apart for the day, and when Lafayette came I stepped forward and read to him an address which had been prepared by the master of the school. Lafayette replied in words which I cannot recall, and presented me a half dollar. The trustees of the school gave me additional amounts amounting to about a dollar more. I was but a simple-headed child and turned these gifts over to my father, who used the money, none of our family realizing what value would in after years attach to the Lafayette piece from association."

"At two o'clock that afternoon the children of all the schools in New York city, with one exception, I think, formed in two rows in the City Hall park, and Gen. Lafayette and party, with the mayor and common council, passed between us. The children saluted by the clapping of hands."

"I remember Lafayette looked like portraits extant at that time, and I presume the same portraits of him exist to-day. He was 58 years of age at the time, and his death occurred ten years later. His achievements were, of course, familiar to me as a schoolboy, and most prominent in our young minds were the facts that the great Frenchman was a friend of Washington and a hero of the American revolution. His face appeared, as I remember it, long, but pleasant rather than grave. He was dressed in the civilian attire of the time."

"I was born in New York city, in what was known as Greenwich village, in 1818. At the time of Lafayette's visit the city had, I should say, 160,000 population, and it was during that decade that it enjoyed the greatest boom and the greatest ratio of expansion of its entire history, the Erie canal being completed about that time. The city was, however, very different from what it is to-day, and then prominent people who fought in the American revolution were still in active life, while the heroes of 1812 abounded everywhere."

Mr. Demarest, who is in his eighty-third year, is very active, having returned to Manchester from a business trip to Boston recently. He still takes great interest in the affairs of New York city, where he passed his boyhood when it was a boom town, and his library contains many books relating to the metropolis.—N. Y. Sun.

Justly Engaged.

"Jones, how do you do. I'm deuced glad to see you. How are all the folks in the old town?"

"Everybody's well, I guess."

"And old man Brown, he used to make whistles for me. How is the old man?"

"He was the most worthless individual I ever knew. I've often wondered about him. What is he doing?"

"Doing? Heaven, he isn't doing a blasted thing. He never did do anything."

"And that boy Tom of his. He's, of course, a man grown now. What's he doing?"

"Oh, he's helping the old man."—Detroit Free Press.

Getting Around the Superstition. "Mersey" cried the chaplaine.

"What's the matter?" returned the young people.

"There are 17 at this table."

"That's all right," said Miss Flyaway.

"Mr. Linkey and I eloped and were secretly married last week. That shrinks us to 16."—Hudson Life.

Justice Courts.

H. E. Damm and John Ross each forfeited a bond in Justice Hardy's court today. They were charged with assault.

Lewis Troesch, who was charged with assaulting Hester Burns, was before Justice Hardy today and his case was set for a hearing on May 19.

May Recover.

Valentine Snyder, Sr., who had his neck broken in a runaway accident yesterday, was still alive when last heard from and it is thought that there is some hope for his recovery. Dr. W. C. Bowers of this city, together with Dr. Godfrey of Moweaqua, last evening operated on the man. It appeared that there was a dislocation but it is thought that the spinal cord was not injured.

As a Curative.

Sprudel is a Specific for Dyspepsia, and cures cases where all other remedies have failed. Sold at \$1.00 per dozen quarts, by Decatur Bottling Works. Old and new Phones, No. 51.

Carpets 90 per yard and up at Scovill's.—4-29-dtf

Don't let the little ones suffer from eczema or other torturing skin diseases. No need of it. Doan's Ointment cures. Can't harm the most delicate skin. At any drug store, 50 cents.

The tax on coffee amounts in France to about 14 cents a pound, while in England it is only 5 cents a pound.

MANILA NEWS

Rebels Send Two Prisoners Through the Lines.

MANILA, May 16, P. M.—Carriac and Holmes, the American and Canadian civilians captured at Calumpit, have been released by the rebels and sent through the lines with several Englishmen who received 48 hours' notice to leave the rebels' territory.

The cruiser Charleston has arrived from Hong Kong.

General Lawton's advance force has left San Miguel, moving in the direction of San Isidoro. A rain storm impeded the progress of the troops and severed the line of communication when the force was within seven miles of its destination.

ALL FOR DEWEY

National Committee Issues an Address.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—A national committee, consisting of prominent officials of the army and navy and leading government officers, has been formed for the purpose of raising money to buy and present a home to Admiral Dewey. They have issued an address to the people of the United States. It sets forth that the expression of gratitude of the American people should take a more enduring form than that given in a banquet and evanescent demonstrations. It suggests that it take the form of a home for him in Washington, the scene of his future duties. For this purpose subscriptions are invited.

North Star Refrigerators' sole agents Scovill Co.—4-29-dtf

HIGH TREASON

Englishmen in Trouble in the Transvaal.

PRETORIA, TRANSVAAL, May 16.—The arrest at Johannesburg this morning of seven alleged former British officers named Nicholls, Patterson, Tromlett, Ellis, Fris, Hooper and Mitchell, on a charge of high treason, caused intense excitement here. The prisoners were brought here by special train.

After they were lodged in jail they were visited by the British diplomatic agent. The arrest was made by a detective who joined the alleged movement, which, it is asserted, was for the purpose of enrolling men for a rebellion. Incriminating documents were found on the prisoners. Further arrests are expected.

BRITISH FLAG UP

And Fifty Men Garrison Kow-Loon City.

HONG KONG, May 16.—Part of the British troops sent into the disturbed territory near here returned after taking possession of Kow Loon city. The Chinese garrison was disarmed, the British flag hoisted and 50 men left to garrison the town. No news has been received from the Hinterland expedition.

The only cleanable refrigerator is the North Star Scovill Co. sole agents.—4-29-dtf

MAY END THE STRIKE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 16.—Contractors and Inspector Donnan, appointed by Bishop Quigley, have signed an agreement which it is expected will end the strike. It will be submitted to the bishop.

As a Table Water.

Sprudel is the Most Palatable of Carbonated Waters. Increases the Appetite, Cures Dyspepsia, prevents the Fermentation of Food in process of Digestion, Aids Digestion and removes or prevents Sour Stomach, or Heart Burn, so-called.

Ride a Monarch and get your money's worth. Illinois Cattle Co.

We are the Leaders.

In doing blue dyeing and cleaning on ladies and gentlemen's clothing. Remember we do nothing but dyeing and cleaning and we are now prepared to do dyeing and fine dry cleaning better than ever as we have just put in two new dry cleaning machines and also one new Wizer extractor, making the Miller Decatur dye works the best and only dyeing and cleaning works in the city. Now is the time to bring in your clothing and we will make them look like new, at 145 North Main street.

—Miss Olive Harpell left today for Cincinnati in response to a telegram announcing that her sister was at the point of death.

...MANUFACTURER'S SAMPLES...

Of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Muslin Underwear

At Half Price.




We have bought the entire sample stock of the largest manufacturer of **Fine Muslin Underwear** in this country, comprising several thousand exquisite pieces—Night Gowns, Drawers, Corset Covers, Chemises, Skirts, Etc.

There are but one or two garments of a kind, and every piece is absolutely perfect. Every one knows the manufacturer's traveling men's samples are the master pieces. Most of the pieces show signs of handling, a little soiled or mussed—otherwise they are not injured. You may not need these garments now, but the prices we quote are less than the cost of manufacture, and it means that you can save at the very least 50 per cent. by buying now, instead of a month or six weeks hence.

We also offer the following additional attractions in Muslin Underwear for this sale:

- 10 dozen Ladies Short Skirts made of best muslin with deep hem and cluster of tucks, at each... **15c**
- 15 dozen Children's Umbrella Skirts with cambric hemstitched ruffle, all sizes from 2 to 14 years at, each... **25c**
- 5 dozen Ladies' Muslin Drawers, trimmed with wide lace at... **29c**

- 10 doz. Children's Umbrella Skirts made of fine cambric with deep India linen flounce and cluster of tucks. All sizes from 2 to 14 years at... **39c**
- 12 doz. Ladies' Muslin Drawers made of good muslin, deep hem and cluster of tucks, at... **15c**
- 20 doz. Ladies' Chemises, several styles, at... **25c**
- 8 doz. Ladies' good Muslin Night Dresses at... **29c**



GREAT OPPORTUNITY

The Doctors Have Arrived and Will Remain Until Saturday Evening, May 20.

OFFICES AT THE NEW BRUNSWICK HOTEL, DECATUR.

DR. STARKWEATHER

and staff of physicians of the New York Electro-Medical Institute are visiting a few of the principal cities of our state. This being their first visit to Decatur and to introduce their new system of curing disease, they will give consultation, advice and one month's medicine free. All patients taking advantage of this offer will be expected to state to their friends the results obtained.

Don't fail to call on these renowned specialists who are in constant attendance to wait upon you, diagnose your case and give you the benefit of their medical knowledge. All diseases of men and women treated. No matter what your disease may be or of how long standing, there is no experimenting or guess work, you will be told whether you can be cured or not.

They have an entirely new and original system of curing all kinds of deafness, which restores the hearing to hundreds after they have been pronounced incurable. Cataract in all its varied forms cured so it will never return, by breaking up the end-catching tendency.

If you have weak lungs or consumption and have been told by these eminent specialists and have a thorough examination, as a visit will cost you nothing and may save your life.

Their new discovery of absorbing medicine by electricity, in Paralysis Loss of Power, Rheumatism, and all diseases of the nervous system is a God-send to suffering humanity. Medical men stand appalled at the marvelous cures that are being effected wherever this system has been introduced. Thousands who have given up all hope of ever being cured have now an opportunity of a life-time to consult without charge doctors of national reputation.

Remember that their New System of combining with the course of medicine necessary, a gentle current of electricity when indicated in any case gives them an advantage in the treatment of diseases of the Nervous System. Male and Female Weaknesses, Skin and Blood Troubles, which speedily restores to health and vigor many cases which have heretofore defied the best directed efforts of Modern Medical Science.

Nervousness was formerly considered to belong to the physically weak and effeminate, and people suffering there-

from seldom got any sympathy, but recent investigations have proven conclusively that Nervous Prostration, or Nervous Debility, Nervous Heart Affection, Nervous Dyspepsia, Heart Failure, Paralysis, Neuralgia, and the multitude of nervous conditions which time and space forbid further mention of, are the results of our high pressure way of living, and overwork of brain which so weakens the tone and vital force of the nervous system.

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Dr. Starkweather is a regularly educated physician, a graduate of Berkshire Medical Institute of Massachusetts and of the Medical Chirurgical College of Philadelphia. Endorsed by the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York City, and by the Board of Regents of the State of New York. Registered in New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and other sections of our country, and enjoying the confidence of thousands of rejoicing patients from New England to Georgia.

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AWKWARD PREDICAMENT.

A Minister Preaches Prohibition, But His Much Loved Dog Drinks Lager Beer.

Here is a truly awkward position for a pious clergyman and sincere prohibitionist. This clergyman has been doing his best to close the only tavern in the little town of Eldred, Sullivan county. The clergyman has in his house a beautiful red Irish setter, called Caesar. And Caesar will have his beer. The clinging tavern keeper sets beer before the thirsty Caesar and laughs at the clergyman.

See how awkward it is. The clergyman urges that the tavern be closed so that there will be no temptation for the young men of Eldred, who are a noble dog but for 15 cents, to take tavern every morning as they go to the sun rise.

The clergyman preaches prohibition and tells the young men to abstain from such things as moderate drinking, and glass works as much. It is true, Caesar is a living proof that abstention made a brute of himself at drinking.

Caesar's taste for beer is acquired, of course. Gen. George Von Schack, an officer in the surgeon's department, the custom house, and Caesar, Gen. Von Schack once in a while get together such a delirious as when he retards, casually a sip of beer. Caesar gets the beer much more than the clergyman.

Near Gen. Von Schack, on Seventh street, this city, is a fellow called William T. Styles, the general presented Caesar to Dr. Styles, who went to live with his father-in-law, the clergyman of Eldred. Naturally, he took his required drink with him. Eldred. Nor was it long before he learned where he could get beer, though there's but one tavern in the town.

The first time Caesar found the beer, where his beauty made him come, he wistfully watched the tavern drink his beer and kept it. His tail, finally, the tavern, transferred the tail wigwagging. Really it meant:

"I'm much like to have a glass of myself. And no fresh, please."

So he put a glass before Caesar and the dog greedily drank it.

"Have another?" asked the general's tavern keeper.

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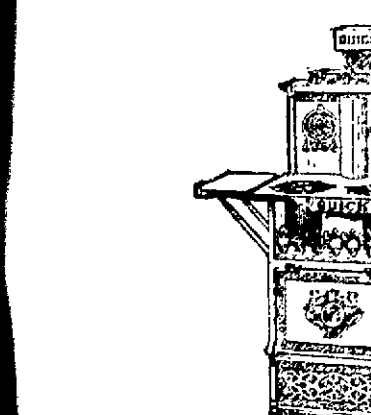
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DEFENSE AND ATTACK.

American Economist: Can a system be successfully defended which tends to prevent the exchange of American breadstuffs for European manufactures?—Buffalo Courier.

How is that for a stupid free trade conundrum? And yet the question is asked in all sincerity by an adherent of that curious school of theorists which, blind to all the great facts of recent commercial development, clings fatuously to the worn-out notion that in trade between nations there should be a perfectly fair and even exchange. Theorists of this school are singularly unable to see wherein the United States is the gainer through a trade balance of \$325,000,000 in 1898—that is, through having sold more than it bought to the amount expressed in these enormous figures, and thus paid off its debts to foreign holders in the shape of American securities and other evidences of indebtedness held abroad, and with the surplus established an actual credit or money balance in its favor.

The "system" which produced this result is the protective tariff, which has operated to increase the consumption of home products, has diminished and held in check the importations of foreign products in a ratio exactly corresponding to the enlarged demand for home products, and has thus compelled payment of the surplus in some form other than that of foreign manufactures. "Can such a system be successfully defended?" Bless your soul, it requires no defense. It speaks for itself in tones that the whole civilized world listens to and marvels at. It is the trade phenomenon of the end of the century, this tremendous increase of prosperity and national wealth that has taken place in less than two years of the Dingley tariff. Nothing like it has ever before been known in the history of nations.

Free traders would do better to change the form of the question and ask: "Can a system be successfully attacked which tends to prevent the even exchange of European manufactures for the vast volume of American exports of American agricultural and manufactured products?" This question was answered in the negative in 1896, and it will be so answered again in 1900 in the new light of the national prosperity which has in the meantime illumined the subject.

THAT REFORM.

It will be remembered that the Republican before the result of the election was known stated that in case of the election of George A. Stadler for mayor it would do what it could to see that the reforms promised in his platform were carried out and that the people who conscientiously voted for these reforms should not again be deceived.

This declaration was due to the fact that such campaigns have been made before and the promised reforms were not carried out—that in these cases the pretension of reform was put forth for deception and to catch votes. It was well known to the Republican that nearly all the Democratic campaigners who aided in bringing Stadler out saw nothing in the move but an opportunity to get some Republican votes away from the regular Republican nominee and win a Democratic victory. They did not want any reform and did not expect any and promised there would be none if Stadler was elected. These fellows were, therefore, discredited when Stadler announced his platform to public print, but they recovered in time and continued their promises to interested parties that this did not even mean anything except a scheme to catch votes. They fully expected they would be able to control on deceptive Stadler in case of his election and prevent him carrying out more than a pretense of reform—a sort of superficial exhibition for a brief period.

These campaigners have been greatly disappointed. They have discovered that Mr. Stadler intends to carry out to the letter every promise of reform he made. They made this discovery when they found they could neither dictate who should be his chief of police or his night captain of police, but could not control him as they expected they would. They have found that he was able to completely ignore them and defy them. Every Republican will be pleased with the state of things as they want the mayor to enforce his reforms so that the people may be put at rest upon this question. After a two years' trial the people will know whether it is the thing they want or whether they don't want it and in either case it will be put out of politics to the extent that campaigners cannot use it to deceive voters with. It will become a settled policy or it will be discarded and abandoned.

The mayor has surrounded himself with police officers who will obey his orders and who will not attempt to deceive him. The reverse of this

would have been true had the campaigners been allowed to dictate these appointments as they expected to do. There is now no danger from this source and the reform will be real and not deceptive and there can be no question about it unless the mayor changes his mind, which is not likely. So we repeat we will get what the majority voted for and if the majority made a mistake it will change its decision when the time comes.

MISPLACED COURTESY.

Alderman Young extended a courtesy to Alderman Fahey and the latter trampled the courtesy in the dirt by using it in making an unwarranted attack on the mayor and Mr. Applegate, thus compromising Mr. Young, who sought to do him a favor instead of give him a license. It is always very poor policy to extend courtesies at the expense of other people and under the conditions which existed the extension of courtesy was clearly misplaced. The "push," writhing under defeat, Spanish like, wanted to put the knife into somebody and it should not have been given a chance. There was no courtesy due it.

The Cubans are not inclined to surrender their arms, which is another evidence of the wisdom of President McKinley in opposing the recognition of the so-called Cuban republic, and promising to institute a stable government among those people. A citizen who prefers a gun to a plough or a hoe needs reconstruction.

There are two things which invariably follow and annoy an American army—graybacks and copperheads. The former yield to pressure or boiling water, while nothing but the temperature of steel has any effect on the latter.

The American copperhead has finally succeeded in stirring up trouble in Cuba for the United States. Like the Filipino the Cuban imagine the American copperhead can help them by a fire in the rear.

W. W. Mason retires from the position of city marshal with the confidence of a large majority of the people in his ability as an officer.

We all heard of the "robber tariff" in 1893 and we downed it. We are now hearing from it again, this time in the rise of wages as the result of its reinstatement.

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I was in bad shape and suffered a great deal with my kidneys. I was requested to try Foley's Kidney Cure; I did so and in four days I was able to go to work again; now I am entirely well. CHARLES REYNOLDS, Alton, O. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Don't think you can cure that slight attack of Dyspepsia by dieting, or that it will cure itself. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure it; it "digests what you eat" and restores the digestive organs to health. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

In Prussia only 697 of 100,000 attempt at suicide were successful.

J. D. Bridge, editor and proprietor of the Democrat, Lancaster, N. H., says: "I would not be without One Minute Cough Cure for my boy, when troubled with a cold. It is the best remedy for group I ever used." H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

SOME VERY OLD WORDS.

The Debt of the English Language to the Greeks, the Romans, and Others.

When Caesar went to Britain, in 55 B. C. (and that is the first time that we hear of the Britons in history), there was no such thing as the English language. Not it is only about 1,200 years old. And for the first hundred years or so it was a baby in language. For it did not grow to look and sound at all as it does now until after 1000 A. D. But where and when was it born?

The Romans, from Caesar's time on, ruled a large part of Europe. Spain and Portugal and France are called "Latin" countries, as well as Italy, because in all these regions the Latin race and the Latin language became supreme.

Not so with England. In the fifth century the Roman soldiers gave it up and left Britain. The people had adopted some of the Latin words, but the language of the natives was old Celtic. This, however, was not the mother-tongue of English; the modern forms of Celtic are Scotch-Gaelic, Irish, Welsh, Manx.

Not our English is the child neither of the Latin nor of the Celtic, but is descended from an ancient Germanic language brought to Britain in the fifth and sixth centuries by some tribes from the shores of the Baltic Sea—the Angles, Saxons and Jutes. The dialects of these tribes were much alike, and were gradually woven into one language, called Anglo-Saxon at first, and afterward English (from the most powerful tribe—the Angles).

But surely, when we study Latin and French, we find a large number of words that look like English words of the same meaning. Where did these come from? English has always been a great borrower; and just as England has colonies all over the world, so that "the sun never sets" on the queen's dominions, so English has words taken from all languages.

We have noticed that some of the Roman soldiers' words were left in common use among the Britons; the fifth century; these were adopted, in turn, by the Anglo-Saxons; and as the Romans said *strata* for a paved way, so the Anglo-Saxon said *street*, and we say "street." I wonder if Caesar would recognize the word. In 357 some Christian missionaries went over from Rome, and many more Latin words were adopted by the Saxons—"priest," "church," "psalm;" also words for plants and animals—"illy," "pen," "lobster," "trout."

In the ninth century the Danes invaded England, and left some of their words.

In the eleventh and twelfth centuries France and England were closely united, the English king and court being for a long time Norman-French; and English then adopted a multitude of French words, which, in their beginning, had been most of the Latin.

And since that time English has been taking words from Greek and Latin, from French, Spanish, and Italian, from German, Dutch, Russian—even from Hebrew, Persian, Arabic, Turkish and North American Indian!

For example, when we say "Anan" at the close of a prayer, we are using a word taken straight from the ancient Hebrews.

When we say "telescope" we are using the word a Greek might have used 2,000 years ago: "Tele" means—"I see at a distance." When we call a certain study "geography," we are putting together two words that to the Greek boy meant "writing of the earth." When we name a certain formation of land a "peninsula," we take two Latin words for "almost an island."

When we say "chameleon," we use an old French word that meant a place to go and "point" in. And if we call a certain little animal a "squirrel," we are speaking, also with the old Greeks, of a little creature "sitting in the shadow of its tail."

Ought we not to remember always that even for our language we owe so much to those that have lived before ourselves—some in distant countries, and many in the far-off centuries—before "history" begins?—Jesse A. Chase, in St. Nicholas.

The Mountain Torrent in Flood.

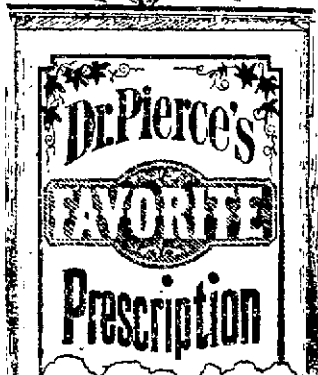
Those who have never heard the terrible booming roar of the torrential extract racing from the far distant mountain top, combining little rivulets into mad streams, and streams into rapids, rushing down, which tear and break and crush huge boulders from their natural fastenings and play and sport with them as the tiny meadow brook shifts its spot of sand; to them this sound is meaningless, and their happy hearts beat on in contentment; but to the one who has heard the pioneer it is a noisy, quick and definite warning of a great danger, and if, perhaps, he is misled by the almost vertical walls of the arroyo, and deeper by each succeeding torrent, he utters on his animals in a frenzy of terror of fear and death, knowing only too well the frailty of the slender thread of life he holds fast in the upper, slingsy arroyo trail, by which alone he can be saved from the most frightful of watery graves. If that devastating, swirling, onward rush of water overtake him his annihilation may be so complete that all trace is left of him, his bones and mutilated body lying buried under tons and tons of boulders and debris, miles from where the flood overtook him.—Outlook.

Defect of the Whipping Post.

The only effective punishment is that which reforms, which sends the former convict out into the world with a determination to be a decent man, or keeps him out of mischief for the rest of his life. The whipping post does neither. It only intensifies his abhorrence of law and order and adds a personal malice to his general tribal hatred of good society.—Washington Times.

CHAS. R. WESSMAN, 2503 Ashland st., Evanston, Ill., writes: My boy, 2½ years old, had a severe cold which refused to yield to any treatment until we tried Foley's Honey and Tar which gave immediate relief, and he was completely cured before using one bottle. GEORGE ANDERSON, 350 and 502 H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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J. S. Carleton, Esq., of Manchester, Tenn., writes: "I have been prescribing your medicine for the last eighteen years in the Coffee County Dispensary and as my 'Golden Medical Discovery,' 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Pierce's Kidney Cure' are the best medicines for the diseases for which they are recommended that I ever used. They saved my wife's life at the time of 'change of life.' I also cured the worst case of leucorrhea that we ever had with your 'Favorite Prescription.' The case had been under the doctor's care for three years. I gave your medicine and the patient became well. This was some years ago, and she is still in good health. I have been recommending your medicine to many. I have told our druggists that if the people came back and said Dr. Pierce's medicines did not give satisfaction, to show back their order and I would give them a new one. I have guaranteed seventy-five or one hundred cases."



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Small Jersey Towns.

In Cape May county, N. J., there are three of the smallest incorporated towns in the country. At last week's municipal elections the town of South Cape May polled 12 votes, Avalon 21 votes, and Wildwood 27 votes. Fully one-half the voters of Avalon and Wildwood held office, while at South May there are enough voters to fill all the places.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

A Dilemma.

Hungry Higgins—Is a ad. in the papers that says: "Is your old rug?"

Wendy Watkins—That sounds all right, but I bet the fellow that gave that advice never had no bar wire fence in front of him and a big dog behind him.—Indianapolis Journal.

Many Are Empty.

"What is an empty title?" asked the boy.
"An empty title," replied the old man who had just married his daughter to an English lord at the usual rates, "is one that had to be filled up from some American statesman's box."—Chicago Post.

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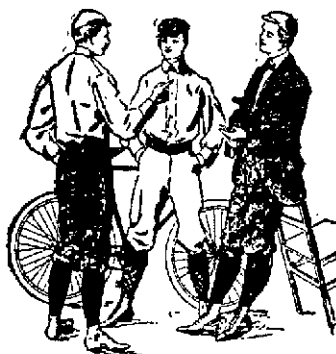
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FOREIGN GOSSIP.

A ton of old rags is worth about ten pounds sterling to a rag dealer in England.

Horse meat is sold in 193 shops in Paris. The prime cuts sell for about 20 cents a pound.

Pyrotechnic birds are made in Nagasaki, Japan. When a light is applied to them they sail through the air, uttering their wings and performing other bird-like antics.

There is in Paris a drinking saloon called "The Cafe of Death." The guests drink their wine and beer while seated at tables, on which lighted candles rest, and cast a ghastly glare around the tomb-like place.

In the Whitechapel district in London, where roughs are numerous, nine per cent. of the policemen who patrol that quarter are constantly registered on the sick list, the result of personal assaults by the vicious.

Spiders' webs have been utilized for making a lady's dress, which is at present in possession of the queen, being a gift from the late empress of Brazil, in 1877. For fineness of texture and beauty it is said to surpass the most valuable silk.

If the number of people daily entering the city of London were to be dispatched from any given station by train, 1,577 trains, each conveying 600 persons, would be required for the purpose. Moreover, if all these trains were arranged in a straight line, they would cover 221 miles of railway.

A rural post messenger of Swardeston, Norfolk, has gained the prize offered by a firm in the eastern counties for the postman who had been longest in the service. For 43 years he had never been absent from duty, and had walked upwards of 160,000 miles.

MORMON THRIFT.

The Despised Seed Offers a Good Example to the Natives of Mexico.

H. Lucek recently visited the Mexican Mormon colonies by order of President Diaz, and his report is of peculiar interest just now. The commission emphasizes particularly his opinion "That the republic of Mexico did well to grant lands to the Mormons some 16 years ago. For they have proved a blessing to the neighborhoods where they settled; they have created attractive homes in what was formerly a desert; have turned unproductive lands into fertile acres; have built fine roads, and started mills and factories. Above all, they offer a good example to the native."

Stiles Pratt, only son of "Apostle" Orson Pratt, is bishop of the Mormon church in the state of Chihuahua and superintendent of the colony of Durango. "I found him," says the commissioner, "to be a vigorous man for his age. He has six wives; his head wife, who lives with him and their nine children in a large house, is a native of Hamburg, Germany, and the proverbial thrift of the 'Plattensches' is in evidence all over the estate. The colony is six years old and has 300 members, including 187 children, who live in well-built one and two-story houses. Every house has a flower garden, and few are without a piano or organ."

"The land is laid out on the plan of a German village. The cattle are of the best breeds, and the machinery mostly of American make. The land is irrigated under the direction of a civil engineer, who attends to all the structural work of the colony. A general store supplies each colony with necessities, and is run on the cooperative plan, paying as high as 12 per cent. dividend."

"The Mexican Mormons speak the English of America, although there are many foreigners. The Mormon elders expect a great many new settlers from the United States as a result of the political agitation, and have sent agents here, who report rapid progress in their work. 'Yet the United States will not be benefited by our work,' say the elders, 'for sooner or later there will be another uprising against our faith there, and the children of Mormonism will have to emigrate. If they come we will extend a hearty welcome to them.'"

"At present most of the new settlers come from Germany, Sweden, Norway and Denmark. The Mexican Mormons have 1,400 agents in those countries. Some are interested in selling land and others work for religious principles. Some receive remuneration from the Mormons."

The commissioner believes that the success of the Mormons is due principally to their diligence. Illness is unknown in the colonies. Though most of the settlers come from beer and wine-drinking countries, temperance is advocated, and a person under the influence of liquor is an object of contempt. The men who get drunk three times is forced to leave the colony.

Not all the Mormons practice polygamy. That is a privilege of the well-to-do. An industrious man, blessed with an industrious wife and sturdy sons and daughters, may hope to obtain permission to take other wives. This permission he secures from the council of bishops and elders, who decide after the moral and economical status of the candidate have been investigated. The consent of wife No. 1 must also be obtained. Every wife has a house of her own, where she lives with her children. In Mexico a man is not allowed to keep several wives under one roof, as was formerly done in Utah.

The commissioner pronounces the Mexican Mormons the healthiest race of people he has ever encountered. None of the colonies has a physician. The men and women wear good, fashionable clothing, and the young people indulge in fashionable sports. — N. Y. Press.

Asthma in Worst Form Relieved.

Miss Mary Dickens, Parsons, Kansas, writes: I suffered eight years with asthma in its worst form. I had several attacks during the last year and was not expected to live through them. I began using Foley's Honey and Tar and it has never failed to give immediate relief. I recommend it to all those suffering with asthma. 25 and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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SPANISH REPORTER.

He Could Collect News, But His Use of English Was Not the Best.

According to the Spanish reporter, the city's list of crimes and accidents are on the decrease. But the city editor suspects that yesterday was an off day with the reporter. However, he is really beginning to like this reporter, although he scarcely ever sees him. He usually sneaks into the office like a cat, looks cautiously about, and then drops his copy upon a desk or table and hurries away as though he were glad to get away alive.

The following is his report as turned in last evening:

"Accident—The black man Fiesbio Ona Garcia suffered accidental bruises on the left hand of a grave character, caused by the unloading of rails at Regia.

"Bull Escapes—A bull from the cattle yard of Don Teodoro Cajigal escaped yesterday badly damaged the seat of the black man Federico Gonzalez who was in the act of attentively watching a game of baseball. The police sergeant, Senor Baldomero Gargallo, killed the bull with great skill, emptying his revolver into it in order to prevent greater disasters. The man whose seat was hurt will not be able to sit down for some time.

"Fight—They were detained and taken to the Vivia by policeman No. 66. Don Jose Prieto and Don Jesus Rodriguez who were found fighting in the public way. Both had several bumps on the head which each respectively had given the other.

"Disrespect—The gray man Francisco Nogal was arrested for not respecting the police. He was seen making faces at an officer of the law on the corner when his back was turned.

"Disobedience—The colored lady Amabelle Gugel was detained and taken to the Vivac for refusing to live in the Arsenal ward set apart for ladies of her distinction.

"Severe Fall—Finding himself working on a big piece of timber, Don Pablo Prieto, on the Regia wharf he suddenly fell damaging himself considerably. He had been standing on the end of the timber which he was sawing off."—Times of Cuba.

FAREWELL FOREVER.

This Is the Regulation Way in Which Parting Always Takes Place Between Lovers.

"It is for the last time," she whispered. Dumbly, eyes told eyes that this was the truth. Always inevitable, it had come at last.

After to-night there was to be no future in common.

As yet neither had said the word that each was thinking of.

"It has been a most sweet chapter in our lives," said she, with downcast eyes. "I would not have missed it," replied he, "though we may never add—"

"To be continued."

And a tear stole gently over her cheek.

Each had lingered, loath to turn over the last torn leaf.

Soon nothing would be left of what had been all.

Alas! that the books of men's lives should be written in the sand and that the tides of the year leave not a trace.

She stood beside him, her lips quivering with agony—suffered for his sake.

His eyes were filled with pitying tears for the two broken lives—their own.

Alas! for the happy, foolish, fugitive hours they had spent in common.

Alas! for the nights brimming with happy silence under the stars.

The shaded lamp is burning out. The hour has come. Words are poor things.

"Did I bring my stick?" And his trembling hand reaches into a shadowy corner.

"Yes, here it is," replied she.

"Good night."

"Good night."

Each knows that it is a good-by.

A caress.

A sigh.

A sob.

The door closes. His rapid footsteps are lost to her listening ear.

Yes, it is over. The darkness swallows him from sight.

And she? She slowly rearranges her ruffled hair as she murmurs, with a gasp:

"I wonder what time he will come up to-morrow night!"

They had bidden each other an eternal farewell before.—N. Y. World.

Something About Gloves.

"Hands need no longer look twice their size in white gloves, for it has been decreed in Paris that tan and other tinted gloves in lace and suede are eminently correct. This will give the economical woman a chance to wear clean gloves and not spend all her patrimony on gloves or pass through the world with a lingering odor of gasoline about her," says a New York paper. Of course, variety, if pleasant, is always welcome, but it is doubtful if tinted gloves will prove a benefit to the economical woman. White gloves last longer and better than tinted ones, as there is no danger of their fading. The quickest way to remove the odor of gasoline is by heat. A ribbon, cleaned in this way, will lose the odor if pressed with a hot iron. Gloves may be hung near a fire, care being taken, of course, that they are entirely dry.—Detroit Free Press.

Frozen Or-Hunt Cherries.

Two quarts of thoroughly ripe cherries mashed through a sieve, one pint of cream, two eggs beaten light, two quarts milk, sugar to sweeten to taste. Put in freezer and freeze same as ice cream. If the freezer is too full leave out a little of the milk, as the freezer should lack about three inches of being full.—Chicago Evening News.

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A large number of people using gasoline stoves desire to replace them with gas ranges, but do not feel able to throw them away.

We have decided to take gasoline stoves in exchange for gas ranges.

The prices of our gas ranges will remain the same, and we will allow you the value of your gasoline stove. If you desire to make an exchange of this kind, let us know and we will send a competent man to your house to examine your stove, give you prices, and information.

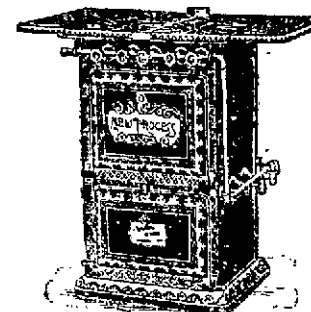
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The price of gasoline has advanced from 10 to 15 cents per gallon—an advance of 33 1/3 per cent.

Gas is absolutely safe and infinitely better than any other fuel for cooking purposes.

A gasoline stove is not a cheap substitute for a gas range; it will not do the work of a gas range and even if it would, it is entirely too dangerous to place in any home.

A gas range does all the work the best coal range will do, does it better, quicker and cleaner, and saves money in doing it. The gas bills of those who cooked by gas the past year, averaged less than \$1.42 per month for the months they used the gas.



We set this magnificent range in your home ready to operate for \$15.00. We set a separate fuel meter and make connections FREE. To those who buy now we give 2,000 CUBIC FEET OF GAS, gratis.

Do you suppose we could sell a \$22.00 range, give you \$2.00 worth of gas and make connections for \$15.00, if we did not know that gas would prove to you the best and cheapest fuel, and that when once tried you would always use it? We do this because we sell you the gas and expect you to be satisfied and become a permanent customer.

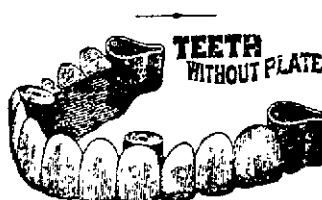
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COULD NOT SERVE AS JUROR.

He Had Once Been the Victim of Circumstantial Evidence Himself.

A good story is being told about a juror who was drawn for service in the criminal court recently on a murder case. He was one of those men who was willing to do his part as a good citizen, but he had a prejudice against circumstantial evidence which was so strong he could not dispel it from his mind, and it finally became necessary to excuse him.

He answered the questions put to him by the prosecuting attorney to qualify, but when the attorney for the defendant got down to where he asked him if he would convict a person on circumstantial evidence he hesitated.

"Why do you hesitate?" asked the judge.

"Well, I'll be frank with you," replied the juror. "I don't believe in it."

"If the evidence was so overwhelming that there could be no doubt of the guilt of the prisoner wouldn't you vote to convict?"

"No."

"Judge, can I whisper to you?"

"Yes."

There was a three-minute conversation between the juror and the judge, and at the conclusion of which the juror smiled, and then he said: "Juror, you are excused."

The attorneys did not forget the incident, and at the end of the day's session they asked the judge what the trouble was with Mr. X, naming the juror who was excused.

The judge said the man told him he was the owner of a farm in Cheateka, and among his live stock was a handsome pet calf. One day while he was out in the barnyard chopping at a fence with an ax this calf made a break to get out of the yard. With the ax still in his hand he ran after the animal and caught him by the tail. Just as he was dragging it back from an opening in the fence a member of his family happened along, and seeing him with the ax in his hand, concluded he was suffering with an attack of senile dementia and in his fury was trying to hack the poor beast into real estate.

"Judge, I was perfectly rational, and I protested that I was attempting nothing of the kind," said the juror, "but appearances were against me, and to this day I am unable to convince my family that I was not crazy and was not trying to murder that calf. That's the reason I'm against circumstantial evidence."—Buffalo News.

NEW SHIRT WAISTS.

Cool Bodies Which Are the Delight of Every Woman in Warm Weather.

The new shirt waists are not so very different from those of last year after all. They are made of deeper blues, pinks and lavenders, and broad stripes have taken the place of the hair-line effects of last year. The hair-line stripe is seen, but much smarter are the half-inch wide stripes of color alternating with hair-line stripes of white.

Fine, firm Madras is the best material for well-made waists, but silk and linen, muslin and gingham are used. The backs of most of the new shirt waists are almost devoid of fineness, and some dispense with the becoming yoke, popular for so many seasons.

In design there is little change from last year. Perpendicular tucks or piping that stand out instead of lying flat on either side of the front are pretty for slim figures, and more suitable to stout waists than are the broad cross-wise tucks which they were so persistently last summer.

A rather novel shirt has a strip of white muslin down the front in which the buttons and buttonholes are placed. On either side of this strip and placed about their own width apart are groups of tucks edged with white muslin. The work is so daintily done that it is not at all clumsy, and the effect of the white muslin stripes on the rose or blue or green of the shirt is cool and summery. Shirt waists have not suffered in the general reduction. They are just about the size now that they were when these cool bodies first took the world of women by storm.—N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.

A well-known physician says that "there is nothing more irritating to a cough than to cough." For some time I had been so fully assured of this that I recently determined, if possible, for one minute at least, to be silent in the hospital of the institution. By the promise of rewards and punishments I succeeded in inducing them simply to hold their breath when tempted to cough, and in a little while I was myself surprised to see how some of the children entirely recovered from their disease. Constant coughing is precisely like scratching a wound on the outside of the body; so long as it is done the wound will not heal. Let a person when tempted to cough draw a long breath and hold it until it warms and soothes every air cell, and some benefit will soon be received from the process.—N. Y. Tribune.

Friends and Hospitality. By all means, then, young home-maker, get and keep friends, for that life is bereft of all beauty and much usefulness which is solitary; and, seriously, it is not in my thought to discourage hospitality. Give generously of what you have to those who seek your acquaintance. But as with one's income, so with one's home. Only a spendthrift is generous in excess of his income, and he is remembered as a man or a woman may be a spendthrift of what money cannot buy—the sacredness of home.—Ladies' Home Journal.

I, D. & W. Railway Excursions. The D. & W. railway will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following points:

One-way tickets to principal points in the South, and return tickets to each point, good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus 25 per cent.

One-way tickets to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 75 per cent of the regular rate.

For full information regarding rates of excursion tickets, apply to G. A. Pollack, Ticket Agent, 11 E. W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

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Manufacturing 127 North Water Street, Decatur, Ill. Magazine bound, names stamped in gold on books.

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Real Estate For Sale.

The Trustees of the Equitable Building and Loan Society of Peoria, Ill., have several pieces of real estate in Decatur that can be bought VERY CHEAP, and on reasonable terms. You will never have a better opportunity to get Peoria real estate at such low prices. See and see the property and write us for terms, or make us a proposition. A liberal commission will be paid to the broker who procures a purchaser. We will trade any of this property for property in Peoria or elsewhere.

100 N. Railroad ave., five room frame house—\$200.
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14k 18 size Gold Filled Case, with 11 Jewel Nickle, Gold Finished American Movement, Stem Wind; regular value \$15.

SPECIAL PRICES:

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Guaranteed satisfactory timer. Call in and examine these goods. The BEST WATCH in the world for the money.

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Is the name of a \$3.50 Men's Shoe sold by the Frank H. Cole Shoe Co.—a shoe that fits and looks as well as any shoe on the market.

- STYLE 519—Russia Calf, Rugby Toe, English Back Stay; a shoe that fits a Broad, Thin Foot, Low Instep..... \$3.50
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- STYLE 520—Chocolate Vici Kid, London Last; a shoe for the coming hot weather..... \$3.50
- STYLE 522—Black Vici Kid, Holden Last, medium toe, neat tip, Light and Dressy..... \$3.50

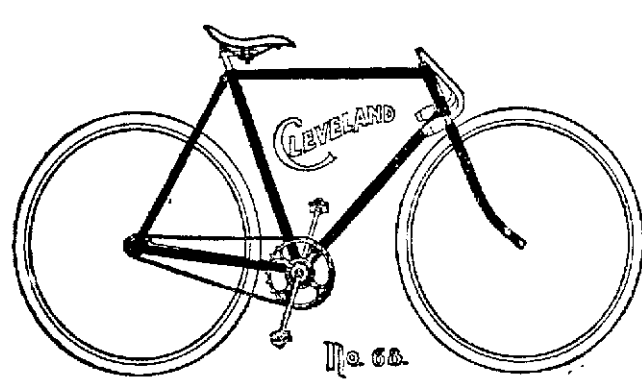
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HOT BOY!



Cleveland No. 68 Racer.

This is the bicycle we have for the real scorchers and racing men. They are fitted with the new FRICTIONLESS BALL AND ROLLER bearing, which is conceded by all machine experts to be the easiest running bearing ever invented. It is strictly a Cleveland feature and cannot be used on other bicycles.

This is the finest finished bicycle made. We want you to try one.

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Elegant Perfumes And Toilet Waters

FOR SUMMER—

WEST'S DRUG STORE. LINCOLN SQUARE.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-df

Fine candies at Glessner's, 143 East Prairie.

W. H. Spence, painting, paper hanging, kalsomining, etc. New phone, one 627, residence 615.—5-df

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—1-df

Official Maps of the City for sale by W. E. Chodas, City Engineer's office or L. Chodas's News House, May 5-df

A law putting a bounty of \$5 on wolf scalps went into effect in Kansas on April 1.

When doctors fail try Burdock Blood Bitters. Cures dyspepsia, constipation; invigorates the whole system. Sold by all druggists.

Dolls and Toys at half price at Morgan's Bazaar.—16-cdt

Defiance Bicycles, \$30; King, \$25. Illinois Cattery Co.

Chodas's Little Dutch cigars are excellent. 5 for 10 cents.

For Bar Use. Sprudel Water adds a zest and sparkle to the finest wines and liquors, is entirely free from all alkaline properties which unfit many carbonated waters for such use.

Bargain seekers should not fail to visit the dining room of the Mrs. Clark Co., 151-153 Wabash avenue, Chicago, in the very center of the shopping district. This restaurant has the finest cuisine and service in the city and the prices are moderate. The restaurant on the 7th floor of the Association building on LaSalle street is also run by this company and is equally inviting and attractive.

THE STAGE.

THE PASSION PLAY.

The Edison production of this wonderful play is taken from the Solms-Morris version secured at the last rendition in Bavaria nearly 10 years ago, and consists of 36 scenes, 6000 feet of film of the life of our Savior from the discovery of the Star of Bethlehem by the wise men to the ascension into heaven after the crucifixion, and is historically correct in costumes, scenery, surroundings and detail.

The Passion Play was first produced nearly 300 years ago in the village of Ober Ammergau, and its origin is itself is unique.

A terrible plague had been raging in that section for a time, and people were dying by the hundreds. All efforts to stop it were unsuccessful until the people of the church assembled, and, as an offering to the Deity, agreed to produce a play portraying the life of Christ once every 10 years; and, strange to say, the day following the first production the plague ceased and has never repeated itself. True to their vow, each succeeding generation has taken up the task and given the play.

At the Grand four nights and matinee, beginning Thursday evening, May 18.

Cooper Special Racers \$50. Illinois Cattery Co.

Cisco.

T. H. McArthur returned from Kansas Wednesday, where he had been to attend the funeral of his uncle.

G. R. Dawson of Monticello was a Cisco visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. C. E. Marvin and Miss Edith Weddle were Monticello visitors Wednesday afternoon.

J. W. Ripple has the frame of his new residence up.

Dan Weddle is repainting the old store building formerly owned by Theodore Ivens.

Mr. L. B. Halstead returned home Wednesday after a week's visit with his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Pease.

L. W. Niles of Monticello was a Cisco visitor Tuesday taking orders for tailor made clothing.

Miss Grace Austin went to Texas Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. R. Dickinson.

F. D. Slate loaded his household goods and will move to Edinburgh after a few days' visit with his sister, Mrs. O. L. Williams.

G. R. Dawson of Monticello shipped a carload of hogs Friday.

Mrs. Marvin of Monticello visited her son, C. E. Marvin, this week.

Springer Sherman, who moved to Missouri this spring has sold his farm and returned to Illinois.

DRINK GRAIN-O

after you have concluded that you ought not to drink coffee, it is not a medicine, but a food, and it is because it is healthful, invigorating and appetizing. It is made from pure grain and has that rich, brown color and sweet taste that the finest grades of coffee and cereals have. Children like it and thrive on it because it is a genuine food drink containing much nutriment. Ask your grocer for Grain-O, this food drink, 15 and 25c.

THE DINGMAN MURDER.

Particulars of the Killing of the Nautic Man in Kansas.

The particulars concerning the murder of Abraham Dingman have been learned by the family of the dead man through letters which were written by the coroner, prosecuting attorney and others at W. Keeney, Kansas, near which place Dingman was killed.

It appears that A. E. Sigler owns a farm which he leased to a man named Samuel Tatman. The latter made a deal with Dingman in which he transferred the lease and Dingman took possession. To this arrangement Sigler agreed, but it seems that he turned against Dingman and wanted him off the place. Last Thursday morning Sigler went to the farm in company with Henry Hiedemann and J. V. Gasswint, two men whom he had hired to help him break some colts. Dingman was not at home and the three men waited until 5 o'clock in the evening, when Dingman returned. They had a gun and a revolver which they had borrowed. All four men went into the house and talked and a dispute arose which resulted in Sigler shooting Dingman through the right hand and then in the breast and neck. Sigler went to town and gave himself up, and Dingman died about 8 o'clock in the evening. Sigler was arrested and released but some of the better class of citizens objected and the coroner's jury held him responsible. Sigler will have a hearing next Monday. He is a man of some influence in the community and one of the bankers of the town wrote to James Dingman, father of the murdered man, that the murder was a cold blooded one and recommended that he have some outside lawyer prosecute the case as the lawyers living in the town might fear to prosecute. Sigler, James Dingman consulted with a Decatur attorney and he will go to Kansas to be present at the preliminary hearing and will likely engage a lawyer to prosecute the case.

PERSONAL.

—James Coop spent Sunday in Dolloville.

—Andrew Peters of North Union street is ill.

—W. R. Scruggs is out after an illness of several days.

—Miss Lelah Ayers has returned from a visit in Chicago.

—Miss Staples of the Linn & Scruggs store is confined to her home with rheumatism.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and daughter, Miss Mina, spent Sunday with St. Louis friends.

—The Misses Ethel Saylor, Jennie Walmsley and Minnie Carrigan spent Sunday in Indianapolis.

—Attorney Edwin Park has returned from a business trip to Belleville and St. Louis.

—Jacob Wilhelmy left today for Pueblo, Col., where he will remain until fall.

—Mrs. N. L. Driggs has returned to Indianapolis after a visit with her sister, Miss Anne Shuler.

—Rev. Frost Craft was called to Cincinnati last evening by the death of his nephew, Mr. Bailey. He will return on Wednesday evening.

—H. I. Baldwin, who has been seriously ill for the past two months, was out riding yesterday for the first time since the beginning of his illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McConnell and Mrs. Charles Briggs and children left for Louisville to attend the national T. P. A. convention.

—Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Ruffner have taken the residence at 553 West Prairie street recently occupied by Mrs. Moore. They will go to house-keeping about the 1st of June.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. O. McReynolds left today for the Square, Kentucky, to visit their son, Tom McReynolds and family. They will be absent about two weeks.

—Mrs. H. R. Osborne left today for Ft. Wayne, Ind., to attend the national meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the United Brethren church as a representative of the Decatur church.

—Rev. A. W. Hawkins left today for Denver, Col., where he will attend the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. In his absence the pulpit of his church will be occupied by Rev. Baker of Clinton.

—Mrs. Y. B. Russell accompanied her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Breckinridge of Custer, Ill., to the G. A. R. encampment at Danville. She will be absent about three days and her offices will be in charge of Miss Ashmore.

WEDDINGS.

STEVENS-VICKERS.

Miss Alice Vickers and Laphiness Stevens were united in marriage by Rev. S. H. Bowyer at his residence on Saturday. The groom until recently resided in Quincy. The couple will make their home in Decatur.

FALCONER-LANDON.

Miss Lizzie Landon and Charles Falconer, both of Jerseyville, were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. H. Gray of East North street, last evening by Rev. Frost Craft of the First M. E. church in the presence of a gathering of friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Falconer will visit in Decatur for a week. They will reside on a farm near Jerseyville.

NEW CITY OFFICERS

Took the Work in Different Departments Today.

OFFICIAL BONDS FILED

And the Men Sworn in by the City Clerk—Chief Applegate Will Make Some Changes in the Arrangement of Headquarters.

The new city officers took charge of their duties today. Marshal Mason was at police headquarters this morning and this afternoon turned over the office to B. C. Applegate, the new chief of police. Chief Applegate was sworn in by City Clerk Poniewell and filed a bond in the sum of \$1000, with J. M. Brownback and O. B. Gorin as sureties. Fletcher Lawrence, the new night captain, filed a bond for the same amount, with Henry Backrach and J. V. Birks as sureties.

R. O. Rosen, the new street superintendent, went on duty today. He gave bond in the sum of \$2000 with Dennis Bradley and W. H. Elwood as sureties.

Harry Rutherford, who succeeds himself as water inspector, will file a bond for \$2000 today.

I. W. Eberman, the oil inspector, will succeed the present incumbent as soon as he qualifies.

Mrs. Fred Tuttle, the stenographer, is not required to give bond.

WILL CHANGE THE OFFICE.

Chief of Police Applegate is contemplating some changes in the arrangement of the offices at police headquarters. Under the present arrangement the office is used by many as a hallway and during the day many persons go through the place in order to reach the corridor of the court house instead of entering through the doors. The idea of Chief Applegate is to put up some partitions so that there will be a private office fronting on Water street with a private door, a general office and a waiting room.

WENT TO DANVILLE.

About Twenty Persons Left Today to Attend the State Encampment.

About 20 persons left today over the Wabash for Danville, where they will attend the state encampment of the G. A. R. Besides the delegates from Danham Post there were a number of others. About 20 more persons will go tomorrow morning. Among those from Decatur who left this morning and at noon today were J. H. Record, T. Penwell, W. F. Martin, J. J. Miller, W. W. Brown, E. M. Cox, R. Coble, W. W. Mason, D. A. Reed, Henry Barnard, R. P. Lytle, G. S. Darlow, J. M. Blythe, W. E. Ringham, W. H. Shorth, R. E. Roberts, Dr. W. F. Calhoun, M. E. Kaman, E. L. Hays, Norman Pringle, J. F. Steele, Daniel Moore and Mr. and Mrs. K. Harwood.

Any child can operate an Insurance Gasoline stove—4-29-df

THREE OPPOSED

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coal for the water works and that he himself was in favor of buying Decatur coal for the use of the city. Mayor Stadler gave the following prices which he said were furnished him by the Decatur Coal Co.: Mine run coal, \$1 per ton; nut, 50 cents; pea coal 40 cents; slack 25 cents. The mayor mentioned the fact that the railroad charged 25 cents per ton to haul the coal from the mine to the water works and said that he went to Chicago at his personal expense and secured from the freight department a rate of 15 cents per ton. This would save the city 10 cents per ton. He asked for some action on the part of the council and the mayor and controller were instructed to purchase Decatur coal. The controller announced that three carloads had already been bought as coal was needed at the works.

\$1000 FOR PARKS. Comptroller Robbins stated that L. Barrows, one of the park commissioners, asked that the city furnish the commissioners a warrant for \$1000 so that they could pay off their men every Saturday night for work done in the parks. Mr. Robbins explained that there was a special levy of \$5000 each year for park purposes. The council ordered that the warrant be drawn.

STREET CLEANING.

The matter of cleaning the streets was discussed at length. Alderman Shilling said it would be a good idea to buy a new sweeper at \$200 and also a mud scraper at the same price and some other suggestions were made. The whole matter was referred to the Finance committee.

STOLE A WATCH.

Sneak Thief Entered the Stevenson Residence but Was Later Caught by the Police.

Late yesterday afternoon a sneak thief entered the residence of Frank Stevenson at the corner of West Main street and Haworth avenue and stole Mrs. Stevenson's gold watch. Later the thief was arrested. Mrs. Stevenson had gone to call upon a neighbor. When she returned she found a man in the house. She asked what he wanted and he asked for something to eat and Mrs. Stevenson said she had nothing. The man walked to the back of the yard and jumped over the fence. Mrs. Stevenson noticed that her gold watch was missing and she at once notified her husband, who with Officer Somerville went after the man on bicycles. They chased him to Kitchell's and there learned that he had started back toward the city. He was finally caught by Officers Somerville and Limboden. Nothing was found of the watch but the man was positively identified by Mrs. Stevenson and others who saw him leave the house.

TEN CENTS EACH.

Encores Were Purchased at the Congregational Church.

Every seat in the Congregational church was filled last evening with an appreciative and well pleased audience which listened to old-fashioned tunes and melodies sung by a number of the best vocalists in the city. The singers were all in old-fashioned costume, one young lady being attired in a gown over 100 years old. The old tunes such as "Then You'll Remember Me," "Old Wooden Bucket," "Ship Ahoy," "Home, Sweet Home" and "Auld Lang Syne," were given and cheered heartily, the encours being procured at the rate of 10 cents apiece.

The entertainment was given under the direction of Mrs. Charles Dawson and was a complete success.

MEMORIAL DAY.



Invitation to Societies and the Public by the G. A. R.

The Grand Army of the Republic wish the different societies of all kinds the county and city officials, firemen, etc., to participate in our Memorial services on Tuesday, May 23. The services will be held at the opera house at 1:30 p. m. and will close about 1, when a line will be formed and march to the cemetery. Services will be placed in line according to date of acceptance of this invitation which will be the only one extended. All societies are very cordially invited.

All wool ingrain carpet 40c per yard at Scovill's.—4-29-df

ANDERSON-DAVIS.

Marriage of a Decatur Couple at Springfield.

John O. Anderson and Miss Laura J. Davis, both of Decatur, were married Saturday evening, May 13 at the First Methodist church at Springfield, Ill., by the pastor, Rev. D. F. Hoot. The couple are now in the city and reside at 245 East William street. Mr. Anderson is connected with the Clothing Manufacturing company as is one of the charter members of the Old Glory Whist club. The bride was formerly a resident of Neoga, Ill., and has made her home in Decatur for some time. Friends of the couple are extending hearty congratulations.

Insurance Gasoline stoves 50c agents, Scovill Co.—4-29-df

Taken to Poor Farm.

William McCoin, of Moweaqua, a man who has been at the police station for the past day in an unconscious condition, is about the same today. He has not yet regained consciousness. Dr. Dinges had the man taken to the poor farm, where he could be better cared for. Those who know McCoin at Moweaqua say that he is subject to such spells and that sometimes he remains unconscious for three or four days. He is a laboring man and has been doing some time near Moweaqua. He is generally warned that a spell is coming on and it is to be feared that he came to Decatur to seek treatment and was stricken before he had a chance to see a physician.

Strawberries.

Train late, arrived at noon 20c fine berries. The grocermen will sell you three boxes for 25c and they will be cheap for the quality. O. Y. Chisholm & Co.

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Day and Night Sessions of the Presbyter

Complete List of Newly School Work in the S Field Workers.—Rou

The Wednesday morning session opened with an early prayer meeting at 6 o'clock, led by A. T. Arnold of Chicago, one of the field workers. There was a splendid attendance in spite of the rain, the delegates coming from all over the city.

NEW OFFICERS.

The nominating committee submitted the following report on association officers for the ensuing year and it was adopted without change. It will be observed that three Decatur citizens are honored with places:

President—John B. Joy, Joy Prairie, Morgan county.

First Vice President—Rev. M. B. Spald, Decatur.

Second Vice President—Dr. W. E. Davis, Edwards county.

Recording Secretary—Rev. Marion Stevenson, Decatur.

Treasurer—R. W. Hare, Chicago.

General Secretary—W. B. Jacobs, Chicago.

Assistant Secretaries—Mary I. Bragg, Chicago, and Mrs. Edith Burdman of Wheaton.

Executive Committee—B. F. Jacobs, Chicago, chairman; R. H. Griffith, Nashville; John Farnon, Chicago; H. R. Caswell, Chicago, and A. H. Mills, Decatur.

TOWNSHIP CONFERENCE.

At a conference on township work was held in the Sunday school room with W. C. Pearce as leader.

W. C. Pearce in his talk on "Work of the Township President," gave as the duty of the township presidents the following:

1. To visit each Sunday school in the township at least once each year. The purpose of such visitation is to get acquainted with the work, and encourage the workers; to aid the school in taking up progressive work, and in various ways to interest them in World Wide Sunday School Work.

2. To hold at least one township convention each year. For these, programs should be carefully prepared and printed. Topics should be carefully selected to fit the needs of the township. One line of progressive work should be taken up at each convention.

3. To study the field and acquaint the workers of the township with its needs. A carefully made outline map of the township, showing the location of the Sunday schools and the public schools, also a bulletined report of their membership will greatly aid in this.

4. To organize new schools where they are needed and if necessary to find workers to maintain them.

5. To see that an annual statistical report is obtained from each Sunday school in the township, and sent to the county secretary before the annual county convention.

6. To interest all Christian people in Sunday school association work, and secure contributions from each Sunday school for county and state work.

7. To strive earnestly to make every Sunday school in the township a Sunday school.

8. To promptly answer all correspondence of the county officers, and wherever possible co-operate with them in their work. Attend the county convention prepared to make a complete report of the work in the entire township. In case a township president should be unable to attend, he should send his report.

9. To seek to have every Sunday school in the township represented at the county convention.

10. To labor faithfully to secure better Bible study, better Sunday school teaching, a more willing Christian service, a greater fidelity to our precious master who hath called us to be a blessed service.

BANNER TOWNSHIPS.

A. M. Kenney of Douglas county, and of the banner townships:

"The banner township idea is very helpful in securing two things. Unit of action and definiteness of aim."

Dewey's fleet was united, the aim of his sailors was definite and the enemy was vanquished right speedily.

It will be a great improvement for our Sunday school work when our township presidents are united in action and a common understanding of their work and proceed with a definite aim.

Accordingly we recommend the adoption of the following standard for the entire state:

"1. The township must have